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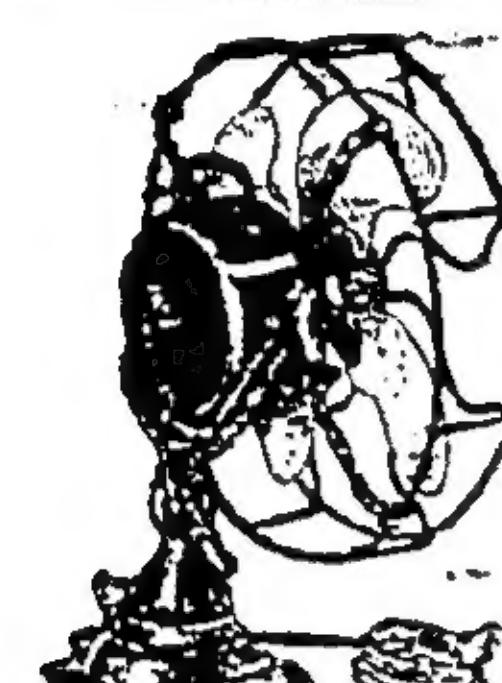
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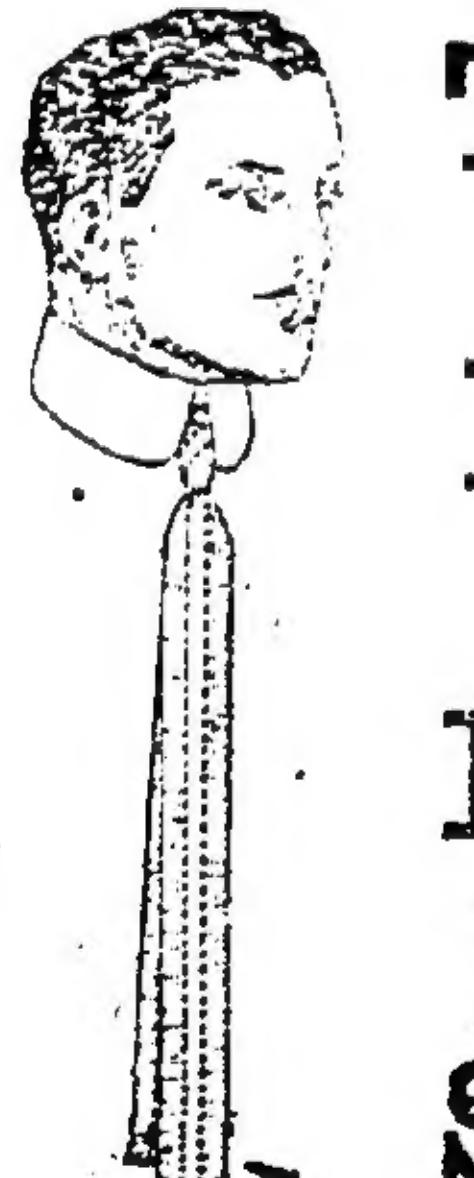
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By Berta Ruck, page 432)

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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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ENTENTE RELATIONS STRENGTHENED.

BRITAIN SURPRISED AT UNUSUAL TONE OF FRENCH NOTE.

"FRANCE'S EXTRAORDINARY ATTITUDE."

FURTHER CO-OPERATION DIFFICULT WITHOUT AN EXPLANATION.

London, July 29.
Reuter learns that the Government replying to France's Silesian note entirely disposes of the charge that Britain has been setting herself against France and thereby strengthening the attitude of Germany. The note calls attention to what is described as an extraordinary action on the part of France in endeavouring to act independently of the Supreme Council in insisting on the immediate despatch of reinforcements, which is not a possible basis on which to pursue future policy together. The note says that no good purpose would be served by further discussion until Britain has a clear understanding of France's intentions. It is declared that the note is of a friendly character, pointing out that Britain is anxious to consider any means whereby she can meet the French, but it emphasised that no danger threatens French troops in Upper Silesia, hence reinforcements were not urgent.

Later.
The British note to France is conciliatory but vigorously worded. It expresses surprise not only at the apparent intention of France to depart from the definite understanding that France should not take isolated action as regards matters of common allied concern but also the unusual and apparently unfriendly tone of the French communiqué on Wednesday. The note concludes that in view of the perplexity raised by the tone of the French note Britain is bound to enquire for an explanation of French intentions, because until the matter is cleared up it is difficult to see on what basis allied co-operation can continue.

NOT LIVING ON OUR CAPITAL.

REPLY TO CRITICISM OF GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL POLICY.

MOTION TO REJECT BUDGET DEFEATED.

London, July 29.
In the House of Commons during the third reading of the Finance Bill, Lt. O. Moseley moved rejection on the ground of serious decline in revenue. Sir Donald Maclean condemned the Government's financial policy on the ground that the country was at present living on its capital. He accused

Sir Robert Horne, Chancellor of the Exchequer, pointed out that the foreign press had paid a glowing tribute to the way in which Britain had dealt with her financial difficulties. He declared that the excise and customs receipts for the June quarter were remarkable and indicated that there were more assets throughout the country than one realised. He was not going to express any sloppy optimism but he was not going to give way to despair. He emphasised how well we had done as regards our finances compared with other belligerent countries. There were signs that trade was reviving, but the duty of everyone was to work and show thrift.

LATER.

In the House of Commons the motion for the rejection of the Budget was defeated by 194 votes to 43 and the measure passed the third reading.

KING AND IRELAND.

ALLEGED NEW YORK INTERVIEW WITH NORTHCLIFFE.

MISCHIEVOUS FABRICATION DENIED.

London, July 29.
Mr. Lloyd George made a statement in the House of Commons with reference to an interview with Viscount Northcliffe published in the *New York Times* and reproduced in the *Daily Mail*, in which Northcliffe is represented as saying that before starting for Ireland the King said to Mr. Lloyd George: "You must come to an agreement as this cannot go on. I cannot have my people killed in this manner." The interview also stated that it was the King who saw General Smuts and interested him in the Irish question. After denouncing the interview as calculated to prejudice the Irish settlement, Mr. Lloyd George read a statement received from the King declaring that the statements in the interview were a complete fabrication. No such conversation took place, and no such remarks were made by the King. In his speech at the opening of the Northern Parliament His Majesty followed the invariable practice relating to such speeches.

The newspapers also publish a statement by General Smuts denying the statement regarding him.

NORTHCLIFFE'S DENIALS.

LATER.
Viscount Northcliffe has telegraphed the King's Secretary, denying having ascribed to His Majesty the words stated. He adds that he gave no such interview.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

AMERICA WILL HOLD NO SEPARATE PARLEYS.

WASHINGTON, July 29.
It is stated that the Government will reject any suggestion for holding separate parleys with any of the powers invited to the Washington conference. It is understood that at least one power suggested the advisability of such a partial conference.

NO PRELIMINARY LONDON CONFERENCE.

London, July 29.
In connection with the Washington conference, Reuter learns there is no longer any question of a preliminary conference in London.

COTTON SPINNING.

RESTRICTIONS ON OUTPUT REMOVED.

London, July 29.
The federation of master cotton spinners of Manchester has announced that after August 1 there will be no restriction on the output of mills spinning American cotton. Firms may work 48 hours a week instead of 32.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2.9 1/8
Today's opening rate 2.9 1/8

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

My dear Children,
I wonder if any of you have ever had an aquarium as Tommy had in our story to-day?
It is great fun and you can keep all sorts of things in them only you must be careful not to put things together which eat each other up or you may have some rather nasty surprises!

Your loving
PETER PAN.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Grace and Jean Ho Tung, Elsa and Edna Batalla, I was very pleased to have your nice letters and to hear that you liked my prizes.

Gaston d' Aquino. Thank you for sending the problems. I am afraid that they will be a little bit old for most of the children but we will try putting one in next month and see if there are any replies.

A.B.C. The age limit for the competitions is seventeen.

I am sorry that I could not put this in last week as I did not receive your letter in time.

TOMMY AND THE NEWT.

You remember that Tommy was staying in the country and that he loved to poke about in a field nearby? His mother sometimes went with him and showed him a water boatman and a caddis worm and other queer things that lived there.

One day they were sitting on the bank of the pool watching the water spiders with their long thin legs darting across the surface, when something stirred at the edge.

"What is it Mother?" whispered Tommy.

"I can't see from here," replied Tommy.

So, very quietly, they slipped down the bank and when they were quite near the water they saw a little thing crawling along. It was black striped with yellow and was very like a lizard.

"Is it a water lizard Mother?" questioned Tommy.

"No, it is called a newt," she told him.

"It is amphibious."

"What a frightful long word," broke in Tommy. "Whatever does it mean?"

"It means that it can live on land or in the water," his mother said.

"You see it is quite happy crawling about in the sun."

"I believe it has come to catch its dinner," said Tommy, watching it with interest, for at that moment the newt shot out a long thin tongue and snapped up a fly which had come too dangerously near.

"I wish I could keep one, Mother," he went on.

"Well, so you shall if you like," she answered. "We will get your father to buy an aquarium (that is a big glass tank) and we will put some stones and water weed in it and then you can catch anything you like in a net and keep it. But I should not keep anything too long," she added.

"Because I expect they like the pond best. You can keep them and watch them for a bit and then put them back."

"Oh, what fun!" cried Tommy. "But I should like to keep them for years."

"Some of them have rather short lives," said his mother. "Although you could keep a newt for some time because they have been known to live as long as thirty years."

"That sounds frightfully old," Tommy said thoughtfully. "And I think you are right Mother. They would much rather live in a pond than in an aquarium. But still we might keep them there for a bit. Do come along and ask Father about getting an aquarium."

Tommy's father thought it a good idea and a few days after that, if you had been there, you would have seen Tommy very busy at the pond with his fishing net.

PETER PAN.

There was a large dog in Pekin which every week grew more thin. Until one fine day it faded away. They made a fine rug of its skin.

A damsel who lived in Calcutta was passionately fond of butter. She would eat up a pound before I could look round. "So wretched," I once heard her mutter.

If I were in the sun and you were out, of what would it be? It would be a sun.

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Hongkong, July 27, 1921.

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GENERAL HOLIDAY.
THIS OFFICE will be open for all
business from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, on
MONDAY, the 1st AUGUST, 1921, when
business will be entirely closed on that day.
N. L. SMITH, Superintendent,
Hongkong, July 27, 1921.

RANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5
of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS
will be CLOSED for the Transaction of
PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY,
the 1st August, 1921.

Hongkong, July 27, 1921.

**FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATIONS OF HONGKONG.**

NOTICE.

BANK HOLIDAY.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
all FIRE & MARINE INSUR-
ANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED on
MONDAY, August 1st, 1921.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 29, 1921.

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ERAL MEETING of the above
Company will be held at the HONG-
KONG HOTEL Pedder Street,
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong,
on WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-
SEVENTH DAY OF JULY, 1921,
AT NOON, for the purpose of consider-
ing, and, if thought fit, approv-
ing the draft new Memorandum of
Association and a print of the ex-
isting Memorandum of Association
of the Company may be seen at the
Company's Registered Office in the
Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street
aforesaid, and a comparison of the
print of the existing Memorandum of
Association will show where the draft new
Association Memorandum differs
from the existing Memorandum of
Association. Should the
Memorandum of Association with or
without modification, the subjoined
Resolution will be proposed as an
Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(1) That the provisions of the
Company's Memorandum of As-
sociation with respect to its
objects be altered so as to read
as shown in the print signed for
the purpose of identification by
the Chairman of this Meeting,
and also for the following further
purposes, namely:—

For the purpose of considering,
and, if thought fit, approving the
draft new Articles of the Company
which will be submitted to the
Meeting. A print of such new Articles
and a print of the existing Articles
may be seen at the Company's Re-
gistered Office in the Hongkong Hotel,
Pedder Street, aforesaid. In such
print the portions of the proposed
new Articles which differ from the
existing Articles are indicated by
underlining in black ink and by
marginal notes. Should the Meeting
approve of such new Articles with or
without modification, the subjoined
Resolution will be proposed as an
Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(2) That the new Articles al-
ready approved by this Meeting
and for the purpose of
identification subscribed by the
Chairman thereof, be and the
same are hereby adopted as the
Articles of the Company to the
exclusion of and in substitution
for all the existing Articles
thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the Company will be held at the
HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder
Street, aforesaid, on SATURDAY,
the THIRTEENTH DAY OF
AUGUST, 1921, AT NOON, for the
purpose of receiving a report of the
proceedings at the above mentioned
Meeting and of confirming, if thought
fit, as Special Resolutions, the above
mentioned Resolutions (No. 1 and
2).

Should the first of the above Re-
solutions (No. 1) be confirmed as a
Special Resolution by the requisite
majority, the alterations in the Com-
pany's memorandum of Association
consequently involved will be sub-
mitted to the shareholders.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE
DOLLAR per Share for the six
months ending 30th June, 1921, will be
PAYABLE on TUESDAY, August 4th,
on which date Dividend Warrants may
be obtained on application at the
Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
TUESDAY, August 2nd to Wednesday,
August 9th, both days inclusive, during
which period no Transfer of Shares can
be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. E. ELLAMS,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, July 13, 1921.

**HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY,
LIMITED.**
(Incorporated in the United Kingdom)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an INTERIM DIVIDEND of
ONE SHILLING per share on account of
the year 1921, has been declared.

The DIVIDEND will be payable on
and after WEDNESDAY, the 24th
day of August, 1921, to Shareholders
on the Register on TUESDAY, the 9th day of August, 1921, and will be
paid to Shareholders on the Colonial
(Hongkong) Register at the exchange
rate of 27 per Dollar.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 24, 1921.

mittted to the Supreme Court of Hong-
kong for confirmation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that the said SECOND EX-
TRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING to be held as aforesaid
will be continued for the purpose of
considering, and, if thought fit,
passing the following further Resolu-
tions as Extraordinary Resolutions,
namely:—

(3) That each of the existing
20,000 fully paid up shares of
\$50 each constituting the Com-
pany's present Capital of
\$1,000,000 be divided into 5
fully paid up shares of \$10 each
so as to make such Capital
\$1,000,000 consisting of 100,000
fully paid up shares of \$10 each.

(4) That after the division aforesaid,
the Capital of the Company be increased
from \$1,000,000 consisting as aforesaid,
to \$2,500,000 divided into 250,000
shares of \$10 each by the creation
of 150,000 new shares of \$10
each—such new shares (subject
as hereinafter mentioned) to be
issued at such time or times and
in every respect as the Company's
Board of Directors may think fit.

(5) That it is desirable to capitalise
the sum of \$1,000,000 being
part of the undivided profits of
the Company standing to the
credit of the General Reserve, and
accordingly that for the purpose of
effecting such capitalisation such sum of \$1,000,-
000 be distributed as bonus among
the shareholders of the Company
in proportion to the shares in the
Company's present Capital held by
them respectively on the date
hereinafter referred to, and that a
bonus be declared accordingly.

And further that the Company's
Board of Directors be and they
are hereby authorised to satisfy
such bonus as far as possible by
the distribution in manner aforesaid
of 100,000 shares of \$10
each credited as fully paid up
among the persons who are reg-
istered as the holders of the
shares constituting the Com-
pany's present Capital of
\$1,000,000 on such date as the
Company's Board of Directors
shall decide—such last mentioned
shares to rank pari passu with
the shares constituting the Com-
pany's present Capital of
\$1,000,000 in respect of all pro-
fits of the Company earned since
the 31st December, 1920, and
such distribution to be in satis-
faction of the aforementioned
bonus.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that a THIRD EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the Company will be held at the
HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder
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By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JULY 30, 1921.

ADVERTISING.

These my words this day, look you, are addressed only to them that have eaten food and drunken liquor, for I account it waste of time to say nothing of paper and ink, having well eaten and drunk myself before putting pen to paper to offer literature to folk that are empty. I have within the last hour eaten one Porterhouse steak, one tatty of fried onions, half a loaf of good white bread, and sliced the same with two pints of good bitter beer, and my pipe drawing cheerfully. I feel that ideas should come of it, it is just as well that such things should be well understood between us. The reader wanting food for the body is like to pay no proper attention to food for the mind; and wanting it very much, is quite capable of misunderstanding the simplest sayings, taking in bitter sweet what was meant pour rire, giggling hysterically, it is possible, the most solemn and serious statement. Suppose that in this matter of eating and drinking the reader has done his part, with a cargo of masticables well stowed, and a generous ferment of bilge, it is in no way less desirable that he should informed how the said matter ends with the writer, so that a sardonic tone (which herein the *forbid*) may be set down to its cause, either partial starvation or an ill diet, and so on. Homer, according to the erudite Master of *Touraine*, would not sing, and Shakespeare at four pastures before writing of the *Wives of Windsor*. A trust-

worthy witness, were such forthcoming, might testify to the number of pickled gherkins that went to the composition of *Hamlet*. It is said, by a witness for whose veracity I am sorry I cannot vouch, that *Des Ionge* liked a bellyfull of dry toast, with a glass of sterilized milk, before writing. There is at least a reasonable presumption on circumstantial evidence that the tale is not a frantic improbability. However, the reader knows how I fared, and may guess therefore what manner of writing to expect. If only I knew what the reader had, why then I could trim sails accordingly, and perhaps exceed his expectations, one way or the other; but as I do not know this essential fact, I must just trust in Providence, and hope that whatever it was it was satisfying, and is causing no regrets, as would come between him and me in this confidential discourse, or (because there is no need for me to hide any longer the fact that I have lady readers) I might add her and me, though women as a rule are poor eaters and poorer drinkers, and are apt to judge a writer less by what he says than by how he says it and by how she thinks he ought to say it—always supposing she thinks he ought ever to have said such a thing at all. But now I perceive that if we are to arrive anywhere (save at this stage of remembering and digesting what we have just had) I must contrive somehow to escape from this paragraph into the next, taking along with me.

Not that the preamble was irrelevant or unnecessary, because it is as desirable in literature as in music to know the key, the mood, and you do not need to have eaten more than a square meal, or to have drunken unreasonably deep, to know that a Porterhouse steak and a tatty of onions with half a loaf and a quart of beer cannot be entirely surrounded by a sour or misanthropic or jaundiced

or uncharitable man, but must in the nature of things be the core and centre and informing principle and germinating nucleus of jovial or at least cheerful humanity. Should you quibble on a point of philosophy and deny the necessity, which you hardly will if you have eaten and drunken as I hope you have, then I retreat from that position to a more easily defended one, and declare that at least is the case in the present instance, that no matter what I may go on to say to you in the paragraphs following, no matter how unkind some of them may seem (especially to empty people) everything is said con amore, the jolly parts jovially, the naughty pieces Pickwickianly, and all together Pantagruelishly, partly for edification, partly for stimulation, and wholly because the thing is thrust upon me. If, wanting to lie back and grunt, I am obliged to sit up and write, at least let me write as I would grunt, naturally, and not as the Scribes.

Here is the mischievousness of it, that I should be so full of Porterhouse and onions and beer, not merely full in a physical sense of those things themselves, as objective beef, and objective onions, and objective beer, but full of them also as subjects, to the exclusion of all other subjects whatever, whether poetry or politics or other follies of mankind. They occupy, insistently, the field of immediate attention, and if any other subject squeezes them, and get into focus, it will probably be, if I have learned at all from past experiences, because it is in some way germane and, as a chemist would say, adjuvant. For your sakes, who may not have had beef or onions, but some meagre hash of sorts, with tea or coffee, or even the atrocity of tinned stuff, I will do my best to further that process, by which as one wrestler twists another wrestler under him, so the germane or adjuvant topic may throw and heave and twist my confounded Porterhouse (with its company) to one side, and so cease to tantalize you, while leading you gently on to considerations less personally painful and galling, if you get my meaning. As thus Porterhouse steak, fried onions, bread and beer. Dinner. (A noble and a tempting subject, but too near the aforesaid beef, beer, etc.) Dinner parties. Calling Friends. Acquaintances. People. You observe, unless you are positively starving, the inevitable progression.

So, in Wednesday's *China Mail* there was a "leader" about snobbery and social status—local, standard, and cosmopolitan—*etc.* the stuff to give 'em. The thing was not particularly well written, the writer evidently having done his thinking at the pen's point, and not made notes beforehand. But 'twas a simple, clear argument, with only one inadvertent pose in it—the pose of being unconscious of the existence of a class of people which on insufficient and inadmissible grounds, considers itself superior somehow to the "common clay." The class, in short, about which Alice Grant Smith appears usually to write her "Things that Matter." That article made or tried to make the point that it is impossible to feel resentment at snobbish sights without being a snob. If the person concerned feels that the regard of snobs is a thing that matters, then he must himself be snob enough to agree that those snobs are established at the top where he himself would be. It seems to me that the argument is as unanswerable as a syllogism. Of course I may be prejudiced, as I wrote it myself. It is not my intention to repeat it, but as a subject that seems to interest practically every European here, it seems to me it might well serve as the opening article of a long series on "Things that Don't Matter."

I have been called ATTITUDE Hedonist, Epicurean, RESTATED. Sensualist, and a lot of other hard names; but I myself call myself an Artist (amateur) in Life. My life is an unfinished picture. Before the coffin-maker frames it, I am composing it and re-composing it, adding a figure here, painting out one there, touching up some places, sketching in new details. It is not for sale, my picture; it is not a pot-boiler. I am painting it for love, as an amateur. It may not be the best picture in the Human Gallery, but it is my Picture—all of it. Consequently I am jealous of letting others touch it. You know how the drawing-master used to touch up your pictures. Well, I want no master or teacher to draw any part of mine. The Things that Do Not Matter are the things that other people would put in my picture, if I let them. Those snobs, for instance, who would have me respect all their conventions, and wear their kind of clothes, and waste much of my leisure in "calling" upon them—they want to splash paint on my picture; but to be happy, to enjoy the full pride of authorship and joy meet another willing to argue, for the fun of it, I'm right there. But if

every bit of it myself—even though I daub it. I do not, observe, ask you to copy mine. I'm advising you, whenever I presume to advise to paint your own. I hate the idea of copying any part of yours. Doubtless in the end all our pictures will have resemblances, similarities. Unique originality of design is not possible. But in mine there is to be no plagiarism, no copying, no outside influence.

It is a fact, isn't it, that to pass many painters are dabbling in quite meaningless brush marks, the title of their picture apparently being "To Pass the Time." They want me to help them to pass it, in their ways, when I need all the time I can get for my own picture. Why, for example, do some people invite me to dinner? Really, I wish I knew, but I don't. Let us take the generous view first, that they mean to be kind to me. Well, it is mistaken kindness, as is easily shown. They give me a first the mental worry of what they call an engagement. I have to remember a date and an hour, and I quite often forget. Then they are annoyed with me. They give me a more or less long journey, by *rickshaw*, tram, or chair, or all three, which (since a poor man must reckon such things) costs me as much as I usually pay for my dinner. So I save nothing and gain nothing. And I have to spend an evening being polite—an awful strain—and I get home late and weary, to my neglected books. Moreover (mark this, as most significant) they never give me a Porterhouse steak and a tatty of onions—though one charming lady did once offer me a whole duck. Do they wish to talk to me and teach me things, for which the dinner is only an excuse? In that case I do think they should wait to be asked, and not do the pressing, as they do. Besides, I am the sort of man who, as a rule, knows far more than they do. They can teach me nothing, tell me nothing, and if they could it is for me to express the wish for it. Now let us take the less generous guess. Do they desire my brilliant conversation? I don't think so. It is seldom I get a word in edgeways, and even then I have to shout. Besides, they bar as subjects all that interest me. I mustn't talk politics (please!) nor religion (Heavens! Religion at a dinner party!) nor forty baskets of devils as this beer now at my right hand (M co ya, Boy!) goes to my lips. Now who is to decide this knotty problem between us? You say that not to respect the social conventions is selfish, the men stern. ("He does say such awful things.") If I talk philosophy they are bored. Look here—I can cut this short, and save myself a lot of bother. You've been to Hongkong dinner parties? Yes? You remember what they talked there you are. As editors say in footnotes when they can think of nothing pertinent to say, "comment superfluous." No. Although my Porterhouse is not disagreeing with me, nor the other things (and I've had two pints of beer more since I began this) I conclude that they ask me to dinner because they have formed a habit of having guests, and are bored without them. I am a relief from boredom, I am an aid to pass the time, like a jigsaw puzzle or a pack of patience cards. Must I yield, or live my own life? I can pass the time (Heaven knows how quickly) without assistance. It passed itself. Yet I have known people to look upon me with eyes in which there was absolutely no warmth of love, and all the while urging me to come to dinner. Full of the bonhomie that ensues Porterhouse-plus-onions, with beer, and strictly in the Pickwickian sense, I say Damn them. No. I must to my picture.

Pray do not misunderstand OTHER THINGS stand me. I am no THAT DON'T eremite. I believe MATTER. in social contacts, in swapping ideas, and even in helping those who need and desire help. I have given up hours to lonesome men, whose company I did not particularly enjoy, but who led me to think they needed me. I believe in social contact where the contact is real and not a pretence. For the languid lily of a hostess who hoists an affected flipper my way, murmurs "So kind of you to come," and turns immediately elsewhere, I have no feeling other than one of violent dislike. I could slap her. For "duty" dinners and "duty" calls I have nothing but contempt. In any house where my clothes matter, or my opinions, I have no business to be. I can play with children (who, I can honestly boast, always like me) I can frivol with the frivulous, and sympathise with the anxious, because in all these cases I can be my own natural self, and have no consciousness that appearances are being noted—generally with disapproval. I claim the right to avoid people who have the cheek to disapprove of anything I have or am. Let them avoid me, I will feel more kindly toward them for it. I never notice, much less care, what other people wear. If it suits them, it suits me. As with their clothes, so with their opinions. I like an argument, and whenever I meet another willing to argue, for the fun of it, I'm right there. But if

a man gives me to understand that certain opinions are held sacred by him, not for discussion, I'm m——unless he is unreasonable enough to insist on forcing them on me, and tries to make them mine too. With such a man I seldom have much trouble, for he refuses ever to speak to me again.

All this, you should

of SELFISHNESS, observe, especially

if you have not eaten or drunken wisely, is the jabber

of a very selfish person. That you may the more firmly be convinced

that you have spoken truly, without

any troublesome reservation or doubt,

let me hasten to admit it. What then? What do you mean by selfishness? Are you always and entirely unselfish? Do not answer hastily.

Consider if there be any such thing as unselfishness before you claim it,

implicitly or explicitly. I believe it

is a foolish, idle, and grossly misleading word. I believe that without

selfishness all life would cease. I

believe that even in what the unthinking

call our most altruistic and benevolent

actions, when we yield to the

instinct of compassion, give generously

even beyond our surplus, we are

all selfish, and but gratifying the

demands of our Daemon, our Ego.

The temperament you call unselfish

must first content its own spirit—in

those ways. But apart from that,

there is a lot of humbug talked about it. Innocent and unconscious humbug, but humbug all the same. I

remember a good man (a missionary

who had become a newspaper pro-

prietor) once telling me, reproach-

fully, that I was still young and still

selfish—that what I needed was a

sense of proportion. He had done

something, not quite honourable, in

his own interests, that threatened to

ruin at the outset my young and

promising career. I had made a

counter-move, quite honourable,

which exposed him where exposure

hurt, and saved me. I was poor, he

was rich. I was young, he was old.

His reproach amused me very much,

it was so very self-centred and so

oblivious of that "sense of proportion"

he thought might improve me.

Every accusation of selfishness is

provoked by some disappointment of

self. Kipling's Tomlinson, rejected

by hell as well as by heaven, is a most

selfless type indeed, yet he goes,

necessarily, as inevitably among seven

and forty baskets of devils as this

beer now at my right hand (M co ya,

Boy!) goes to my lips. Now who is

to decide this knotty problem between us? You say that not to respect the social conventions is selfish,

the behaviour of a Rogue Elephant

that deserts, or is driven from, the herd. I say that I have a social ideal that is

ready to live with you in closer cooperation, but you will not hear of it. You are selfishly satisfied. I admit that if a man joins your club it is up to him to be clubbable, but if he disapproves your clubbable ways, and stay outside, you should not dub him selfish—with a bad meaning to the word. I believe society should be catholic, you insist on it being sectarian. I say love me, love my dog, your bar dogs. We are all selfish. The difference between us is that I know it, admit it, and defend it. Do I seem to justify myself, or my ways, for your judgment? If so, forget it. I am but thinking aloud. The selfishness I confess, the selfishness I excuse and permit in you (and even unselfishly advise) is that necessary for Shakespeare's instruction:

Neither a borrower nor a lender be.

For loan of loseth both itself and friend.

And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.

To thine own self be true; and it must follow, as the night the day.

Then canst not then be false to any man.

Do you think Shakespeare was thinking of money? If so, you misread him. That was his image, his parable. He

was denouncing the Human Chameleons, the Parrots, the Tomlins—

the very unselfish worshipers of

convention and good form—the social Automatons—the Slaves of the

Things That Don't Matter.

In one of her essays (*Morning Post*, Wednesday) Alice Grant

Smith refers to "a wonderful book on the science of colour sound" which conveyed to her mind "the idea that every sound was a colour and every colour a sound." I should very much like to see that book, although not expecting to find it scientific. A small percentage of people do associate colours and sounds, not by way of analogy or fancy or figure of speech, but because they cannot help it. Sounds do give them colour sensations, though I have never heard or read of a case where colours gave suggestions of sound. I have heard people speak of "loud colours," of course, but that is different. The first has been explained as a nerve entanglement. Image the nerve conducting nerve from eye and ear to brain as wires, and say the wires have somehow got crossed. The sub-

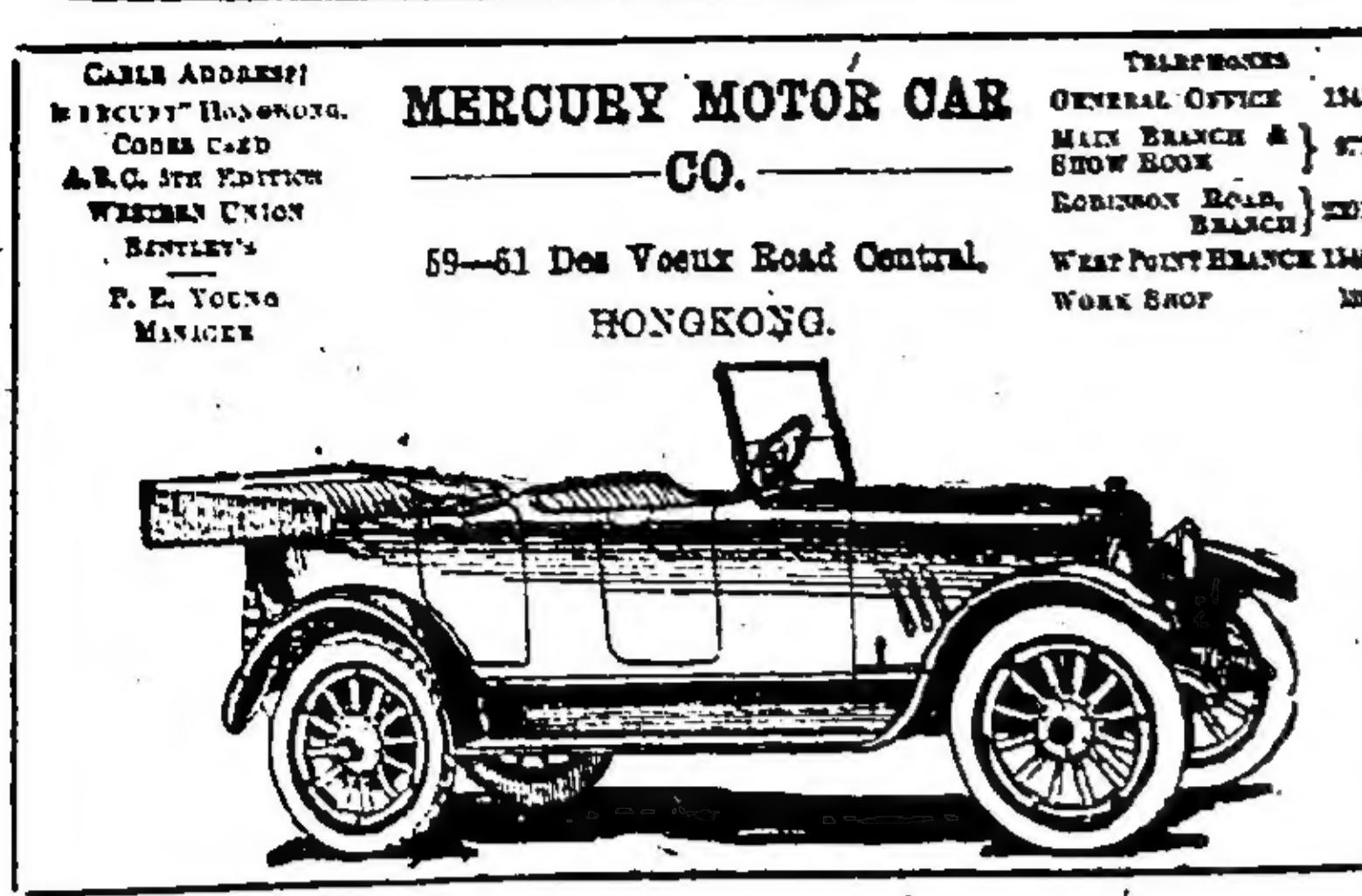
Boneher, was reviewed by a newspaper man who probably cared even less than he knew about the subject. But he produced his review, in which he said the work was "most opportune."

No argument here.

MOTOR TAXI. I admit that last week I misunderstood HONGKONG. stood the position end of the stick. The position was clarified in subsequent issues of the *China Mail*. However, here's a letter from the promoter of the scheme:

Dear Mr. "Adversarius,"

I'm awfully sorry about your maiden Aunt because anyway there's no chance of her getting shares in the "stunt."



ADVERSARIA.

(Continued from Page 4.)

Croaker. "Ah, my dear friend, it is a perfect satisfaction to be miserable with you. My son Leontine shan't lose the benefit of such fine conversation. I'll just step home for him. I am willing to show him so much seriousness in one scarce older than himself. And what if I bring my last letter to the Gazetteer on the increase and progress of earthquakes? It will amuse us I promise you. I there prove how the late earthquake is coming round to pay us another visit, from London to Lisbon, from Lisbon to the Canary Islands, from the Canary Islands to Palmyra, from Palmyra to Constantinople, and so from Constantinople back to London again."

Which shows that the ancient can often be quite modern. Confucius for example is very up-to-date when he says "I have talked with Hwae for a whole day and he has not made any objection to anything I said, as if he were stupid." And again. "Shall I teach you what knowledge is? When you know a thing, to hold that you know it. And when you do not know a thing, to allow that you do not know it: this is knowledge."

In our paper the other BURNS' day was a line which should never be forgotten, and cannot be too often quoted. "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn." What an epitaph that would make for the human race, if put in the past tense after we have all gone down into the pit. I always have thought two lines from Scotland's poet epitomise his real teaching. The first is the line just quoted and the other is "When man to man the world o'er shall brothers be and a' that." The ideas expressed in these two lines are at the back of all the attempts at the production of a better world. Burns was essentially a national poet, but there is nothing parochial in the sentiment of the lines quoted. The war has caused many minds in many lands to think these same thoughts to-day.

What an old fool is Sir SCOTT. Walter by comparison, with his lords and ladies gay, his knights and squires. There is nobody of any importance in his pages that does not come of a good family, and all his heroes and heroines have blood which is not actually blue in colour, is at least of a purplish hue.

I remember an old Scotsman telling me his country would have long ago become the most democratic of all, but for the stuff served out by Scott about the nobility of the nobility.

The common folk were persuaded for a time that there really was something in noble birth.

Burns with his feet in the mire reached upwards to heights of which Scott had no conception.

And yet how few can AND SCOTS, read Burns understandingly. No Englishman can and very few Scotsmen. I used to test them with a line or two of real Ayrsome from his poems and get them guessing every time.

"A daimen icker in a thraine's a sma' request." What poem does that come from and what does it mean? No prizes are offered for the translation only I'll let nine out of ten Scotsmen in the Colony don't know their own language. But some of them like Stevenson make up for it by their knowledge of English.

Isn't this a quaint little BOOKS. old poem by Anon? Oh, for a Booke, and a shadie nooke.

either in-a-door or out. With the grand leaves whisp'ring overthee, or the Streete-cryes all about. Where I mai Reade all at my ease, both of the Newe and Olde. For a jollie goode Booke wherone to looke,

better to me than Golde.

H. G. Wells has HISTORY FOR everybody. Fortnightly in which he suggests a reform in the teaching of history in schools. Probably most of the adult population in Britain learned history largely as a matter of dates. I remember how I had to repeat by heart all the rulers of England from Egbert

Brighteye to Queen Victoria with the date of accession and death of each and a lot of good it did me. No wonder Shaw remarked that "History teaches us that history teaches us nothing." Until very recently only the history of England was studied. Lately they have introduced into schools the study of European history. Wells wishes to go a step further and introduce the history of the world. Indeed his idea is that this should really come first everywhere and later on the study of the history of one's own country can be undertaken. Only in this fashion can narrowness of view be avoided and the proper perspective be obtained. He suggests that his book or any other on world history which will serve the purpose equally well should be introduced as an alternative study for examination purposes. The broad facts of history should be taught "as Chemistry is taught to-day in practically the same terms throughout all Europe."

And later, as the students went on to a closer study of their own nation and its literature, they would do so with a sound sense of historical perspective, and with their disposition towards national egotism and conceit at last corrected. On minds prepared in this fashion it would be possible to build the new conceptions of an organised world peace that struggle so hopelessly at present against the dark prejudices of to-day.

It seems to me that the introduction of this work into schools is an excellent idea and I recommend its serious consideration by the University and the local educational authorities. It is possible our Students here cannot arouse in themselves any enthusiastic interest in European or English history. On the other hand the rapid survey of the world given in the "Outline of History" cannot fail to make an appeal.

"His talk was like a whoo-spring which runs with rapid change from rocks to roses.

It slipped from polities to puns, I: passed from Mahomet to Moses.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL

PROGRESS OF FUND.

NEARLY \$73,000 REALISED TO DATE.

In connection with the New Diocesan Boys' School, the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Headmaster and Secretary of the Appeal writes:—

A sum of nearly \$37,000.00 has been raised in the first three weeks since the Appeal was made, the first list amounting to \$20,314.05, the second to \$16,413.33, and the third to \$36,727.38.

The Scholars' Brick Fund, of which Mr. E. C. Thomas is Hon. Treasurer, has been a great success. Over \$1,400 was raised in small subscriptions. Class 3 headed the Class list, raising over \$1,100.00.

The Appeal Committee is a very strong Committee of about 90 leading Residents in the Colony, English and Chinese. An attempt is being made to raise \$165,000 for buildings and equipment and \$100,000 for endowment. Almost a quarter of the \$165,000.00 has been raised to date, i.e. \$36,727.38.

A scheme is on foot to raise the Endowment Fund by annual subscriptions i.e. equivalent to the interest on a capital sum of \$100,000.

The Chinese members of the Appeal Committee under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. Lau Pak are arranging for the collection of donations from the Chinese Community.

The Scheme for a New Diocesan Boys' School is the first scheme for a school in this Colony with adequate playing fields adjoining the school. The new school will have excellent boarding accommodation for 150 boarders and accommodation for 300 day boys. It will be situated in a very central part of Kowloon and be easy of access by train and by road. Day Boys from all parts of the Colony will be able to get to the school quite easily. The new site is a triangle of land on two hills about 100-150 feet high, adjoining Yaumati Railway Station. The Railway forms one boundary. The two other boundaries roughly speaking will be two main 100 feet roads linking up Kowloon, Yaumati, Kowloon City and the Lai Chi Kok district. On both of these roads there will be adequate means

of communication by the time the School is built. On a hill almost opposite the site will be the new Hospital and the site, generally speaking, is in the very centre of what will be very soon a large residential quarter. The site offered by the Government is 17½ acres in size and it is hoped to acquire more land. Although it will have eventually a large residential quarter around it, the site cannot be shut in as it is situated on two small hills with valleys or level land all round it.

The School does not exist to provide education to all kinds of children. The fees for boarders and day boys are the highest of any Boys' Schools in the colony. There are 25 free boarders—places for orphans (Eunuchs) whose European parents have died or left children stranded in the Colony or in remote places up country. The number of free places has not been increased during the last twenty years although of course the number is not rigidly fixed. Every public man and every man from the older Universities in England owes a debt to these Schools and can partly re-pay that debt by helping to start a first rate public school Hong Kong with a certain number of free places or foundation scholars as in all the public schools in England. The appeal is made to all old boys, to parents of old boys and of boys at present in the School, to the business Houses of this Colony who profit largely by the results of the labour of boys from a school like this, and to all men who have benefited from the old boarding and day schools in Hong Kong, in Britain and elsewhere.

All donations should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer (The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen), Diocesan New School Fund, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

The Headmaster and Secretary of the Appeal Committee (Rev. W. T. Featherstone) will gladly supply any further information required.

DIOCESAN NEW SCHOOL FUND.

FIRST LIST.

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| Mr. H. M. H. Nemaze.... | \$10,000.00 |
| Mr. G. A. Pentreath.... | 3,000.00 |
| Scholars' Brick Fund (June to July 1921).... | 2,700.00 |
| Scholars' Peace Fund 1919.... | 1,000.00 |
| Scholars' Fund 1920.... | 1,000.00 |
| The Kowloon Sze Yeuk Kai Fong Ferry Co.... | 1,000.00 |
| Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Featherstone.... | 1,000.00 |
| Mr. E. H. Ray.... | 250.00 |
| Mr. W. G. Lay.... | 100.00 |
| The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.... | 100.00 |
| Mr. H. C. Recker.... | 99.00 |
| Dr. W. B. A. Moore.... | 25.00 |
| Mr. W. R. Sayer.... | 10.00 |
| Mr. E. R. Valentine.... | 10.00 |
| H. K. Wastepaper Fund (per Mr. Gerken).... | 20.00 |
| | \$20,314.05 |

SECOND LIST.

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| Hon. Sir C. P. Chater.... | 5,000.00 |
| Mr. Li Ping.... | 2,000.00 |
| Mr. Mok Kon Sang.... | 2,000.00 |
| Mr. Wong Yu Tung.... | 2,000.00 |
| Scholars' Brick Fund.... | 1,778.00 |
| Mr. Ho Kam Tong.... | 1,000.00 |
| Mr. J. Scott Harston.... | 500.00 |
| Sir Ellis Kadoorie.... | 500.00 |
| Mr. Uy Cho Yee.... | 450.35 |
| The Hon. Mr. Chau Siu Ki.... | 300.00 |
| Mr. H. Hancock.... | 250.00 |
| Mr. W. L. Patten.... | 100.00 |
| Capt. T. Arthur.... | 100.00 |
| Mr. Wong Ching Yau.... | 89.99 |
| Mr. Wong Ching Tung.... | 89.99 |
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| Mr. and Mrs. W. Armstrong.... | 50.00 |
| Dr. G. H. Thomas.... | 50.00 |
| Mr. J. Witchell.... | 25.00 |
| Mr. D. McMurry.... | 25.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Allen.... | 25.00 |
| Mr. G. W. White.... | 10.00 |
| Mr. Fung Tai Hang.... | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Archie.... | 5.00 |
| Mr. W. G. Williams.... | 5.00 |
| Miss M. White.... | 5.00 |
| Total 1st List.... | 20,314.05 |

Grand total to July 27, 1921.... \$36,727.38

SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

GARRISON LEAGUE.

The following matches in connection with the Garrison Lawn Tennis League were played during the week:

R.E. BEAT R.G.A. 9.0.

S. M. Smith and S. S. Hamblin beat S. S. Gillard and Gr. Clow, 6-1; beat Sgt. Phillips and Gr. Dyer, 7-5; beat Sgt. Shipley and Gr. Clow, 6-1; C. S. W. Pearson and Cpl. Townsend beat Sgt. Gillard and Gr. Clow 8-1; beat Phillips and Dyer, 6-1; beat Shipley and Clow, 6-1.

Phillips and Dyer, 6-3; beat Shipley and Clow, 6-2.

The sappers won by 9 sets to nil.

WILTS BEAT R.A.S.C. 5-4.

Bism. Murant and Bism. Rogers beat S.M. Stroud and Pte. Lansley 6-3, beat S.M. Booth and Sergt. Marsh 6-1, lost to Major Humphreys and S.Ser. Horrocks 3-6.

Bism. Earson and Sergt. Evans beat Booth and Marsh 6-1, lost to Stroud and Lansley 6-8, lost to Humphreys and Horrocks 3-6.

Bism. Jones and Bism. Dobson beat Humphreys and Horrocks 6-4, beat Booth and Marsh 6-2, lost to Stroud and Lansley 6-6.

The infantrymen won 5 sets to 4.

R.A.M.C. BEAT R.G.A. 9-0.

Major Tomlinson and S. M. Thompson beat S. Sergt. Gillard and Gr. Clow 6-3, beat Sergt. Phillips and Sergt. Walker 6-2.

S. Sergt. Jane and Sergt. Wilkins beat Gillard and Clow 6-3, beat Phillips and Dyer 6-1, beat Shipley and Walker 6-2.

The medics won 9 sets to nil.

R.E. BEAT R.A.S.C. 7-2.

S. M. Smith and S. Sergt. Hamblin beat S.M. Carter and S. Sergt. Horrocks 6-2, beat S.M. Booth and Sergt. Floyd 6-1, lost to Major Humphreys and S. Stroud 6-2.

Cpl. Hallam and Spr. Copland beat Carter and Horrocks 6-1, beat Booth and Floyd 6-1, lost to Humphreys and Stroud 3-6.

The sappers won by 7 sets to 2.

LEAGUE TABLE TO JULY 29.

| CLUB. | P. | W. | L. | POINTS. |
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| R.E. | 5 | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| RA.O.C. | 4 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| R.A.M.C. | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| 2nd Wiltshire. | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| R.A.S.C. | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| R.G.A. | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

BASEBALL.

"REAL" PRACTICE YESTERDAY.

Baseball fans after watching the "Real" team practice yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley are forced to admit that the sailors are unquestionably the fastest aggregation that the Hong Kong team has faced so far this season, and the game this afternoon should be a very interesting contest.

Supporters of the locals still remember the garrison finish that the "Real" team made when they pulled their last game out of the fire in the tenth innings.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

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MANILA & BANGKOK.....TAMING.....Aug. 1 at 4 p.m.

CHENGDU.....Aug. 2 at 10 a.m.

SHIJIANG.....Aug. 3 at Noon.

WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTIN.....KATUNG.....Aug. 3 at 4 p.m.

SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO.....TIENTING.....Aug. 3 at 4 p.m.

SHANGHAI & NEWCHANG.....ICHANG.....Aug. 6 at 4 p.m.

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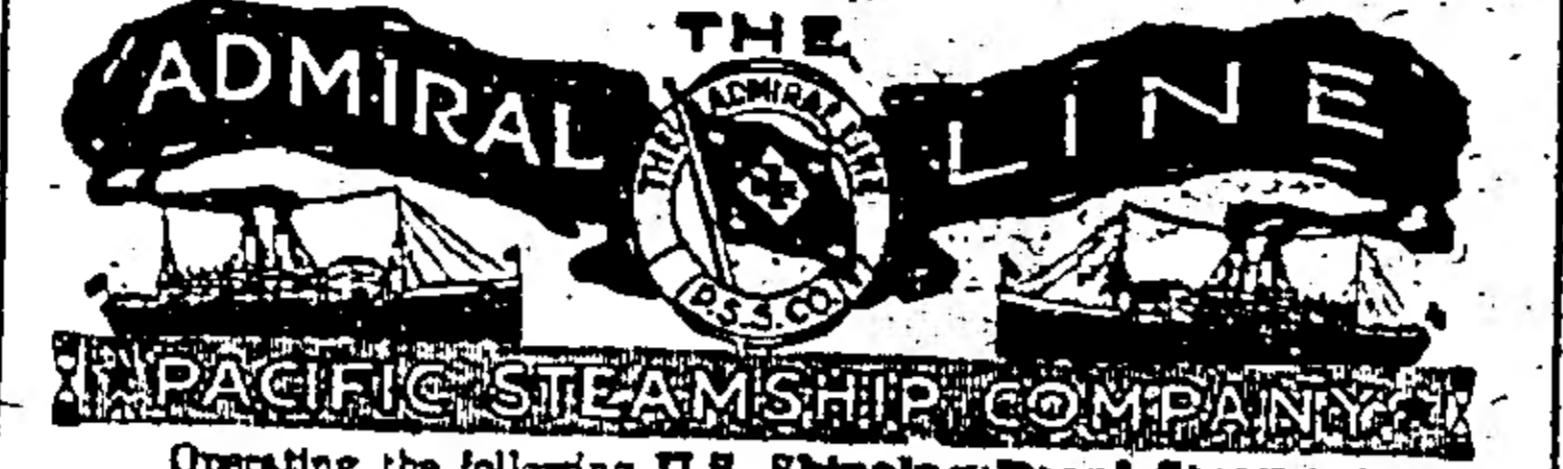
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JULY 30, 1921.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

SHIPPING MATTERS.

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME CONFERENCE DISCUSSED.

ANTWERP, July 29.

The International Maritime Conference discussed the question of limitation of shipowners' responsibility and other legal questions relating to mortgages and prior claims on shipping property.

TRANS-PACIFIC CABLE.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE TASK.

WASHINGTON, July 30.

It is announced that Mr. Hughes has recommended and President Harding approved the Government laying a trans-Pacific cable if private enterprise is not willing to undertake the task.

WASHINGTON, July 30.

Referring to the proceedings of the international communications conference, Mr. Hughes, Secretary of State, said that it was probable the former German cable between Guam and Yap would be allocated to the United States.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

SHIPPING BOARD DEMANDS FAIR OPPORTUNITY.

WASHINGTON, July 30.

In order to ensure fair treatment for American merchantmen it is understood the United States Shipping Board's policy will be insistent on other nations giving proper opportunity for American ships if they wish to avoid retaliatory measures.

BOLSHEVIKS RELEASE AMERICAN PRISONERS.

PARIS, July 29.

A message from Reval states that the Bolshevik Government has decided to release 28 imprisoned Americans.

HAVRE DOCK LOCKOUT.

HAVRE, July 29.

A lockout of dock workers will be proclaimed on August, as a protest against the workmen's demands.

PILGRIM TERCENTENARY.

WASHINGTON, July 29.

President Harding and family sailed aboard the presidential yacht "Mayflower" to attend the Pilgrim tercentenary celebrations at Plymouth on Monday.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

CANADA'S PREMIER SATISFIED.

LONDON, July 30.

Mr. Meighen, Premier of Canada, who is returning home tomorrow, interviewed by Reuter, declared that the conference had reached decisions on those questions concerning the Dominions most. He was returning satisfied with the trend of events generally and the progress made. Although they had not all come with the same views common objects were sought and common ground had been found. Mr. Meighen laid stress on the importance of not allowing the disarmament conference to fail. He declared that he was impressed by the fair disposition of British statesmen to the Dominions premiers, also with the spirit of unity and equality manifested at all discussions.

VICTORIA BRITISH SCHOOL.

TAIKOO CLUB ENTERTAINMENT.

To aid the work of the Ministering Children's League the scholars of the Victoria British School gave a capital entertainment last night in the Taikoo Club Hall. There was a large audience headed by H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, and the praiseworthy efforts of the youngsters were rewarded with constant applause.

A one act play from uncle "Tom's Cabin" formed the first part of the programme. The scene of it was laid in the bedroom of Miss Ophelia, the part of the last mentioned being sustained quite capably by Cissie Polley while Louise Wilson portrayed in charming fashion the role of Little Eva and Bessie McCubbin made an excellent Topsy. Most of the evening was taken up with the presentation of an enchanting little fairy play entitled "The Sleeping Beauty" in which daintily costumed fairies and goblins of all ages and sizes made a captivating picture. The small performers had been wonderfully well trained and a good share of the credit for the success attending the entertainment is due to those who taught them their steps.

The performance concluded with an attractive display of rhythmic dancing.

The programme was as follows:—

Part I. A one Act play from "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Scene I. Miss Ophelia's Bedroom.

Miss Ophelia Cissie Polley

Little Eva Louise Wilson

Topsy Bessie McCubbin

Part II. "The Sleeping Beauty."

King Nan Ferguson

Queen Cathy Ferguson

Nurse Cissie Polley

Princess Bessie McCubbin

Prince Louise Wilson

Nettlesetting Keith Bolton

1st Fairy Mamie Wallace

2nd Fairy Lillian Nicol

3rd Fairy Betty Nicol

Fairies—M. Fowler, A. Fowler, V.

Bateman, M. Dunlevy, G. Sara, E.

Button, K. Clarke, Y. Langley, I. Passmore, M. Lyde and E. Bolton.

Goblins—J. McCubbin, A. McCubbin, J. Muirhead, B. Eldridge, G.

Tacchi, S. Alison, J. Wilson, D. Ritchie,

D. Ling, B. Bickford, G. Hill,

F. Fowler and S. Fowler.

Act I. Opening Chorus: "Marching

in the Moonlight."

Scene I. The Palace Nursery.

Songs—"Lullaby," "Tree Song."

Act II. Sixteen Years Later. Scene:

The Old Tower. Song—"Angel of

Sleep."

Act III. One Hundred Years Later.

Scene: In The Wood. Song:

"There are Lots O' Little Lights up in

the Sky." Prince Charming.

Act IV. Scene: The Old Tower.

Songs—"Ding Dong," "Good

Night."

Part III. Rhythmic Dancing by N.

Ferguson, C. Ferguson, M. Wallace,

I. Passmore, L. Wilson, B. McCubbin,

M. Fowler and C. Polley. Dance I:

"Come Lassies and Lads," Dance

II. "In The Shadow."

Tea and dinner dances will be held at the Repulse Bay Hotel on Monday, August 1.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JULY 30, 1921.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

OPIUM IN LONDON.

CHINESE TRAFFIC SENT TO JAIL.

Seven Chinese were charged at Thames police court with possessing utensils for opium smoking. Six of them were fined £5 or a month's imprisonment. The remaining Chinese, Low Ping You, who was said to be one of the principals in the opium traffic in the Chinese colony and whose wife was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in connection with the Billie-Carlton case was sentenced to a month's imprisonment and recommended for deportation.

TEA GARDEN STRIKES.

RIOTING FOLLOWS NON-CO-OPERATION AGITATION.

DARJESING, July 30.

Strikes have broken out in four tea gardens. Over 40 strikers have been arrested on a charge of rioting. The authorities attribute the disorders to the activities of non-co-operators.

PRINCE'S £25,000 TRIP.

VOTE FOR VISIT TO INDIA AND THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, July 30.

A supplementary estimate of £25,000 has been issued on account of the Prince of Wales' visit to India and the Far East. It is pointed out that certain expenses in connection with the voyage will be defrayed from navy votes.

KINEMA NOTES.

THE EMPIRE THEATRE.

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

With a plot constructed by one of the greatest living dramatists and the leading role played by one of the most charming actresses yet seen in Hongkong, the film version of Sir Arthur Wing Pinero's "Mind the Paint Girl," featuring Miss Anita Stewart, can certainly claim foremost rank among the best cinema productions of to-day. To enlarge upon the cleverness of the plot or the quality of the acting, to pay adequate tribute to the staging and photography, even to mention the wonderful gowns displayed, were a task beyond the compass of a newspaper paragraph, and an act unnecessary when the picture can be seen to-night and again to-morrow night in the cool and commodious Theatre where the pleasure afforded by a fine picture is enhanced by the delightful music supplied by the full Coronet Orchestra.

An unusually interesting British gazette showing Wonderful Derby scenes, views from the air, the great treks, and the famous race itself, is another notable feature of the current Empire programme. Remarkable views of Canton from the air and an amusing comedy complete an excellent programme.

To-morrow (Sunday) at 6 p.m. Mary Pickford the world's sweetheart, will be seen in the famous play, "Daddy Long Legs." At 9.15 p.m. "Mind the Paint Girl" will be shown.

KOWLOON THEATRE.

"POLLY OF THE STORM COUNTRY."

Kowloon residents are promised a fine entertainment at the Kowloon Theatre to-night when "Polly of the

Storm Country" will be screened for the first time.

Including almost every type of character and depicting a corresponding variety of human emotions, shifting from scenes of material splendour to those of humble privation, and preaching throughout a lesson of universal love, "Polly of the Storm Country" has that "something" that delights everyone.

A time-nurtured feud between squatters and land-owners is the mainspring of the plot. Mutual bitterness and prejudice are shared by all except three—Polly, her saintly grandmother, and her hero from the hill-top. Everything, it seems, that class hatred can accomplish, threatens to separate the young lovers.

The photography is superb—there is a vivid storm scene, flashes of fire in the war zone and vistas of natural beauty—while the cast is a pleasing one. Mildred Harris Chaplin makes the role of "Polly" very attractive. Micky Moore is a winsome wee actor, while the role of the benign grandmother is delicately handled by Ruby Lafayette, and that of Polly's wealthy young suitor by Emory Johnson.

There is no connection between this "feature" and "The Secret of the Storm Country" seen in Hongkong some months ago.

Also included in the programme is a laughable comedy by Harold Lloyd entitled "Bumping into Broadway."

THE WORLD THEATRE.

"THE WOMAN AND THE LAW."

Claimed to be one of the finest pictures ever screened in Hongkong.

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COOLIE SUES MISTRESS.

CLAIM FOR WAGES.

Mrs. F. Morrison, of 49 Hollywood Road, was the defendant to an action brought by Cheong Lam, a house coolie, at the Summary Court to-day before Mr. Justice Wood to recover an amount of \$21 said to represent wages due to him for a period of one month and five days.

The plaintiff's case was that his wages were \$18 per month. On June 18 he was given a month's pay, less \$3 and on July 3 defendant dismissed him without notice. Subsequently at the police station Mrs. Morrison offered to pay him half a month's wages but he refused it as it was not enough.

Cross-examined by Mr. D. H. Blake, who appeared for the defence, the plaintiff said that on July 3 when he asked for the \$3 defendant told him to go away and see the police about it. He took that as a dismissal.

His Honour held that the plaintiff had not actually been dismissed and gave judgment for the defendant, an amount of \$3 to be credited to the plaintiff against the costs of the suit.

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"Woman and the Law," a sensational 7-part Fox drama, is the current attraction at the World Theatre. Featuring R. A. Walsh this splendid film will be shown until Monday first.

An entire change of program is announced by the Miss Cora Williams Company who are nightly receiving a very cordial reception.

At the 5.15 p.m. performance the great Shakespearean pageant, "The Merchant of Venice" is to be seen, also episodes 7 and 8 of the sensational serial, "The Moon Riders."

BLIND HUSBANDS.

MONDAY'S EMPIRE ATTRACTION.

"Blind Husbands," a Universal photodrama of the Alps, which is to be shown at the Empire Theatre on Monday, is said to be a quiet though powerful denunciation of the man who forgets that his wife is his sweet heart, leaves her seemingly out of his scheme of life.

In "Blind Husbands," Dr. Armstrong, the famous American surgeon, nearly loses his beautiful young wife to an Austrian lieutenant who shows upon her the attentions that her husband is too busy to remember.

Eric Stroheim, who depicted the repulsive role of a Hun officer in "The Heart of Humanity," is the villain of "Blind Husbands."

Frances Billington, known for her beauty, plays the role of Mrs. Armstrong. The following favourite Universal players complete the cast: Sam DeGrasse, H. Gibson-Gowland, Valerie Germonprez and Jack Perrin.

ALICE MEMORIAL

REPORT ON HOSPITALS
INADEQUATE BUILDINGS

The report of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals presented at the annual meeting held at noon to-day by Dr. I. E. Mitchell, medical superintendent and secretary, was as follows—

The report of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, Hongkong, in connection with the London Missionary Society, for the year 1920, includes the following interesting particulars—

The work of the four Affiliated Hospitals has been carried on without interruption during the past year. Dr. Aubrey to whom we are greatly indebted, continued his valuable services as Acting Superintendent till January 25 when Dr. Mitchell, who had been transferred from the London Mission Men's Hospital, Hankow, assumed charge.

There have been no outstanding features of the work during the year that seem to call for comment, and with the exception of a severe outbreak of Influenza and Pneumonia at Tsuen Wan, in the New Territory, there has been no serious epidemic to contend with.

Of the Deaths, 36 per cent. were due to Lobar and Broncho-pneumonia, most of them occurring during the epidemic to which reference has been made.

The Total Numbers of cases treated, both In-patients and Out-patients, have increased: the former by 358, and the latter by 3,633. The Total Visits of Out-patients were 44,463, being 5,152 in excess of the previous year. The total number of In-patients, 1,798, is 67 in excess of the largest previous year in the history of the hospital. These numbers are mentioned to show that in spite of the fact that some of our buildings are old and unsuitable, and owing to very limited accommodation many applicants are disappointed in gaining admittance to the wards and of the further fact that we have not yet attained to the ideal number of resident staff, the popularity of the hospital continues unabated. Our wards both for men and for women have been crowded during the greater part of the year; even at the China New Year holiday season we had but few vacant beds.

In the Nethersole, through lack of room, it was frequently necessary to turn away patients who had come from a distance and who begged to be admitted, expressing in some case willingness to sleep on the floor or on a seat on the verandah if only they were allowed to remain. When advised to go to other hospitals the frequent reply was, "we want to be treated here, we are not willing to go elsewhere."

The need for enlarged and more modern hospital buildings is urgent, and we trust that the ensuing year will see such new buildings under way to replace the present Nethersole, and continue in more suitable housing and more favourable location the work that for 34 years has been carried on in the original Alice Memorial in Hollywood Road.

FOREIGN RESIDENT STAFF.

We were glad to welcome back from furlough our Matron, Miss Rayner, who returned on April 2. Her return greatly relieved Miss Cameron who had been carrying alone the heavy burden of the nursing work in the Nethersole, Maternity and Ho Min Ling Hospitals, the burden being increased by the absence of a resident Superintendent.

In July Miss Cameron retired from the hospital service to become the wife of Mr. Arnold Hughes, Head Master of the Ying Wa College. We greatly miss her capable oversight of the men nurses and wise management in all matters pertaining to the post of Matron in the Ho Min Ling Hospital. Our good wishes and continued interest go with her in her new sphere of service in the Ying Wa College.

On September 7 we welcomed the arrival of Miss M. Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Miss Cameron.

Miss Ward at once proceeded to Canton for a year's study in the language school. We are glad that it is now possible for new workers to get a good start in Cantonese before taking up their duties in the hospitals.

Once installed in office the pressure of daily duties makes any effectual work at the language extremely difficult and unsatisfactory unless one has had a good grounding in the elements of the language before becoming absorbed in the daily routine of professional work. On December 30 we had the joy of welcoming to the work's new colleague in the person of Dr. Gladys M. Turner, a graduate of Birmingham University, who has considerable valuable experience in post graduate work in England, and has completed a year in the language school in Canton where she achieved distinction in examinations.

Dr. Turner has assumed charge of the Maternity Hospital and the Gynaecological cases in the Nethersole.

For the realisation of this scheme we rely on the financial assistance of our friends, European and Chinese, who for the past 34 years have generously supported these institutions and enabled them to carry on their benevolent work among the poor of the Colony and of the surrounding country. The "Nga Lai Shu I Yuen" is known far beyond the confines of Hongkong, and in the minds of the multitude of poor stands for Christian benevolence exemplified in a practical way in healing the sick of all classes, creed and nationalities, especially the poor for whom the hospitals primarily exist.

FINANCIAL.

The Income from donations, \$16,494.06, shows an increase of \$3,566.00 over the previous year. From investments, \$3,102.50, an increase of \$1,107.50. The amount received from refunds and various headings is an increase of \$5,801.89. The Total increase under these three heads is \$10,475.39. Total income under above heads, \$39,612.25.

The Expenditure, \$40,308.54 shows an increase of \$12,738.12 over that of the previous year. The excess of expenditure over income for the year is \$496.29.

BUILDINGS.

During the year the various hospital buildings received necessary minor repairs as required, and in addition thereto the Ho Min Ling was thoroughly overhauled and painted inside and out at an expense of \$1,250.00.

The kitchen quarters at this hospital were originally planned for one hospital only but in recent years have been used for preparing food for all four hospital units. Thus daily food for about 150 persons was being cooked and served in a kitchen built for a maximum of 50. It was found impossible to expect satisfactory service under such conditions, and an enlargement of the building was planned giving more room, increased cooking accommodation and a modern hot water heater. To get rid of the smoke nuisance so prevalent in native kitchens it was arranged that the firing of the stoves should be done from the outside of the kitchen wall against which the cooking range is built. A change in fuel from wood only to a large proportion of coal was made. An additional bed room and store rooms were also provided in the new addition. The contract for this work was put in hand on June 28 with a promise of completion in three weeks time. Owing to exceptional difficulties on the part of the contractor the job was not finished at the close of the year.

The final result while not quite ideal will be a distinct advance in that direction, and will make for efficiency and prompt service in this essential adjunct of the Hospitals.

To the following friends of the Hospitals we tender sincere thanks. Mr. A. G. Coppin, Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. H. C. Shrubsole, Hon. Auditor. The Subscribers to the funds of the Hospitals, foreign and Chinese, who have generously supported the work, making it possible to run the hospitals at a minimum of expense to the patients who are able to contribute to the cost of their treatment, and to give free treatment to the very poor who are unable to pay anything towards the cost of their food.

To Hon. Mr. Chan Siu Ki, for again kindly collecting the Chinese donations. Dr. G. E. Aubrey for continuing his valuable services as Acting Superintendent during the month of January, and for advice and assistance thereafter. Dr. and Mrs. Aubrey, for a Seal which they kindly designed and presented to the Maternity Hospital.

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YOUNG WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

MOTIVE A MYSTERY.

Alleged to have committed suicide by hanging herself with a piece of cloth from a banister on the stairs, the body of a young Chinese woman was yesterday removed to the mortuary from a house in Queen's Road West. According to her father the tragedy was discovered as he was leaving the house to go to work. The girl, he declares, was in her usual high spirits the previous day. Although she was an early riser, her absence from breakfast did not cause any alarm as she had gone to bed late the previous night after the theatre. Her father is unable to give the police any clue as to the cause of her suicide, her relations at home, he asserts, having been very happy. A love affair was thought to be at the bottom of the tragedy but an examination of the deceased's effects yielded nothing to support this theory.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Capt. R. A. R. Neville R.M.L.I. is appointed A. D. C. to the Governor.

Mr. Alex. McNay has passed his examination as second class engineer.

Messrs. Lane Crawford advertise a great clearance sale beginning to-day.

Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird is appointed member of the Authorized Architects' Committee.

One case of plague, Chinese, was notified yesterday, the only case of notifiable disease reported.

Wiseman Ltd. announce that the Empress Store and the On Lee are their Kowloon agents.

The Director of the Observatory announces in the *Gazette* that there will be 31 sunrises and 31 sunsets next month. He gives the times. All the sunrises are to occur in the morning, the sunsets later in the day.

At the instance of the Singapore Postmaster General, a fine of \$50 and costs was imposed upon the Osaka Shonen Kai by Mr. Nunn, District Judge for failing to give reasonable notice to the Post Office of the despatch of their steamer, the "Shoen Maru," for Calcutta, on the 8th inst.

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CONCUBINE CUSTOMS.

A BANKER'S AMOURS.

WITH WHO EARNED HER POCKET MONEY.

Chinese customs regarding concubines were discussed in Magistrate Lindell's Court yesterday afternoon when further evidence was heard in the case in which Mr. T. M. Haslehurst, Assistant Crown Solicitor, is applying for the extradition to Canton, of a Chinese man and woman charged with having stolen jewellery worth \$1,100, the property of Chang Cheong-yim, a banker of that city.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hall Bruton, for the defence, Chang said that he first made the acquaintance of the female fugitive about 2 years ago. He courted her for about three months, during which time she occasionally presided as hostess at dinners given by him to his friends. Afterwards she consented to become his concubine.

Mr. Bruton: Did you give her jewellery to wear?—Not until after she became my concubine. Then I gave her a pair of gold bracelets and a pair of gold mounted rattan bangles.

The witness also said that he did not give the female fugitive any money during the three months he was courting her.

Mr. Bruton: Then why should she have offered to become your concubine? She said you were a good looking man, eh?—I don't know. She requested me to take her.

She loved you for yourself alone?—queried the Magistrate.

Mr. Bruton: Are you bringing these proceedings for the love of the fugitive?

Chang: What I wish his Worship to do is to have the fugitives extradited to Canton, and if the Canton Government decides that I should take my concubine back, I shall do so.

Mr. Bruton: What induced you to make the report of the alleged theft to the Canton police. Was it to get this woman back or the jewellery?

Chang: Both the woman and the jewellery.

The witness added that he had made no promise to the female fugitive before she became his concubine. There was no bargain between them. "She had debts amounting to about \$300," he said, "and I settled them for her." Chinese do not pay for a concubine when she offers herself. He did not tell his *big fa* anything about taking a concubine. She found it out herself two years afterwards.

Mr. Bruton: Then she created "meny hell" for you?—No. There was no trouble at all. My wife was so pleased with the marriage that she came to the city to see the fugitive. I did not mention anything to my wife about the second marriage because it is the Chinese custom when taking a concubine to keep the matter secret until it leaks out.

Relying to another question, Chang said that it was a custom among the Chinese to give a concubine a new name. He did not give a name to the fugitive, but his wife did.

And the fugitive showed resentment because she regarded the new name as an insult?—I don't know.

Chang denied that he had trouble with the fugitive over the new name. "We were on the best of terms," he said, "so much so that I sent her to school to study. Her education cost me \$20 a year."

Chang firmly denied an allegation that he gave the fugitive only \$1450 every month to run the family. He said that she had authority from him to collect a little over \$6 every month in rents and \$8 interest on a loan, and he always gave her an allowance.

The household expenses amounted to about \$70 per month.

Relying to further questions, Chang said that up to the end of last year his *big fa* wife earned her own pocket money by tying pig's bladders and pasting labels on match boxes.

The Magistrate: You call yourself a banker with other business interests, and yet you allow your wife to work while you prow about brothels?

Chang: There is no need for her to work. I have often advised her to cease doing so, but she is such a diligent woman that she cannot sit idle at home.

At this stage further hearing of the case was remanded until next Friday.

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Aug. 2.—D.L. Hutching.
2.—I.C.S.N. Chantau.
2.—I.C.S.N. Fooching.
2.—I.C.S.N. Chongsang.
3.—D.L. Hainan.
7.—O.S.K. Kaojiao Maru.
8.—D.L. Haikong.

AMOY.
July 31.—O.S.K. Amakusa M.
Aug. 2.—D.L. Haikong.
5.—D.L. Hainan.
7.—O.S.K. Kaojiao Maru.
9.—D.L. Haikong.

FOOCHOW.
Aug. 5.—D.L. Haikong.
9.—D.L. Haikong.

SHANGHAI.
July 31.—C.N. Kaojiao Maru.
Aug. 2.—C.N. Ninghian.
3.—I.C.S.N. Choochow.
4.—H.P. Atrous.
5.—C.N. Suiping.
7.—B.F. Ichang.
8.—P.G. Yunan.
9.—C.N. Szechuan.
10.—J.C.J.L. Tjikini.
Sept. 21.—B.F. Dandong.

TIENTHSIN.
July 31.—I.C.S.N. Chingshing.
Aug. 3.—C.N. Kueichow.

WEIHAIWEI AND CHEFOO.
Aug. 3.—C.N. Kueichow.

HANKOW.

Sept. 21.—D.F. Dandong.

TSINGTAO.
Aug. 3.—I.C.N. (boysang).
6.—C.N. Suyuan.

PUKOW.
Aug. 2.—C.N. Shantung.

NEWCHWANG.
July 31.—C.N. Kaojiao Maru.

TAKU AND DALNY.
Aug. 4.—B.F. Atrous.

KEELUNG.
July 31.—O.S.K. Amakusa Maru.
7.—O.S.K. Kaojiao Maru.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.
Aug. 2.—I.C.S.N. Takao.
3.—C.N. Kafong.

SAIGON.
Aug. 3.—A.L. Lake Onswa.
16.—M.M. Portob.
17.—A.L. Lake Farrar.
Sept. 1.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.

SINGAPORE.
July 31.—C.N. Liangchow.
2.—S.D. West Hengshau.
16.—B.F. Lake Onswa.
17.—A.L. Jefferis.
18.—C.M. Lake Farrar.
Sept. 1.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.
2.—A.L. Glynco.
15.—C.M. Nile.
Oct. 4.—C.M. China.

BANGKOK.
July 31.—I.C.S.N. Chinnang.
Aug. 1.—O.S.K. Kishu Maru.
2.—C.N. Chengtu.
7.—I.C.N. Fooching.
Sept. 1.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.

MANILA.
Aug. 1.—C.N. Taming.
2.—A.L. Silver State.
14.—B.F. Tricor.
20.—C.M. Talibyus.
Sept. 1.—B.F. Nanking.
18.—B.F. Portob.
Nov. 9.—B.F. Portob.
28.—B.F. Talybina.
Dec. 21.—B.F. Tyndares.

CEBU AND ILOILO.
Aug. 1.—C.N. Taming.

SANDAKAN.
Aug. 9.—I.C.S.N. Hinsang.

JAVA PORTS, ETC.

Aug. 11.—J.C.J.L. Tjilowong.
12.—A.L. Lake Farrar.
20.—J.C.J.L. Tjilobet.
21.—Nanyo Y.K. Srank Maru.

INDIAN PORTS, ETC.

Aug. 11.—J.C.J.L. (VIA Rangoon).
12.—B.L. Gregory Apcar.
2.—I.C.S.N. Kuntung.
6.—N.Y.K. Hakkato Maru.
18.—B.L. Japan.

BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.
Aug. 8.—N.Y.K. Hakkato Maru.
11.—O.S.K. Saigon Maru.
20.—P.O. Dunera.
22.—N.Y.K. Mordia Maru.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Aug. 16.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru.
21.—C.A. Victoria.
22.—E.A. St. Albans.
19.—E.A. Tando Yarn.
19.—E.A. Eastern.

JAPAN PORTS.

Aug. 1.—P.O. Keunom.
2.—I.C.S.N. Kashima.
2.—P.O. Yatsushiro.
3.—N.Y.K. Kita Maru.
2.—C.A. St. Albans.
4.—N.Y.K. Kita Maru.
7.—J.C.J.L. Titarom.
7.—B.F. Bincchow.
9.—Nanyo Y.K. Borneo Maru.
10.—B.F. Aratoon Apcar.
14.—E.I. Kasama.
15.—B.F. Glaziers.
15.—M.M. Cordillera.
22.—R.P. Pifpoc.
20.—H.F. Esomaria.

Sept. 1.—P.O. Somali.
2.—P.O. Pyrrhus.
21.—B.F. Soudan.
22.—P.O. Antiochus.
Oct. 3.—B.F. Sardinia.
11.—P.O. Hyson.
Karmala.

AMERICAN PORTS.

Aug. 3.—R.F. Protoceras.
18.—C.P.O.S. Empress of Russia.
21.—C.P.O.S. Montezuma.
21.—R.F. Irian.
Sept. 14.—R.F. Talibyus.
15.—C.P.O.S. Empress of Asia.
20.—C.P.O.S. Empress of Japan.
Oct. 1.—R.F. Tyndares.
18.—C.P.O.S. Empress of Russia.
26.—C.P.O.S. Moctezuma.
Nov. 2.—B.F. Protoceras.
23.—B.F. Irian.

SEATTLE.

Aug. 2.—O.S.K. Marlin.
13.—A.L. Silver State.
20.—A.L. Portstone State.
22.—N.Y.K. City of Spokane.
23.—O.N.K. Freshim Maru.
25.—S.S.D. Africa Maru.
26.—N.Y.K. West Irian.

Sept. 2.—A.L. Kestrel Maru.
26.—N.Y.K. Wenatchee.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Aug. 2.—T.K.K. Poma Maru.
6.—J.C.J.L. Nila.
8.—C.M. China.
10.—P.M. Ecuador.
12.—T.K.K. Taiyu Maru.
21.—S.S.D. West Henshaw.
27.—T.K.K. Sora Maru.
Sept. 8.—T.K.K. Tenpo Maru.
15.—C.M. Nanking.
20.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.
Oct. 2.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.

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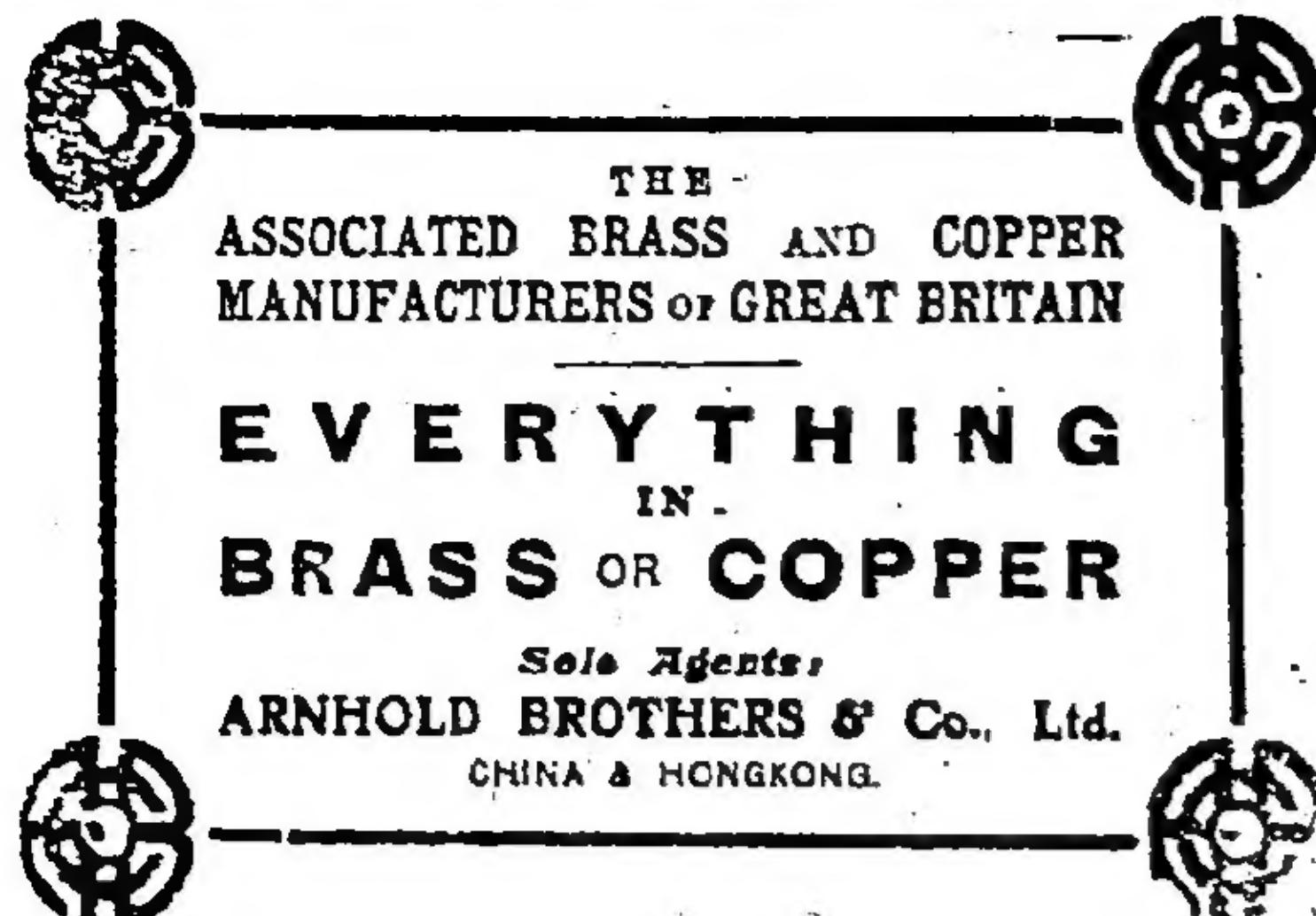
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COURT MARTIAL.

THE FINDING ANNOUNCED.

"NOT GUILTY" ON FIVE COUNTS.

EVIDENCE REVIEWED.

A finding of "not guilty" in respect of five out of the six charges preferred against the accused was returned yesterday at the General Court Martial which assembled at Victoria Barracks to investigate allegations of misappropriation of regimental funds brought against Lieut. A. E. Thompson, of the 2nd Wilts Regiment.

The court was composed as follows: President, Col. Clementi Smith, 22nd Punjabis; members: Major H. M. Edwards, D.S.O., R.E.; Major W. S. Downing, R.G.A.; Major W. S. Duggan, R.G.A.; Capt. Leslie Smith, 22nd Punjabis; Judge-Advocate: Major Hickling, D.S.O.; Prosecutor: Captain A. H. Bickley.

Three of the charges alleged that during February, April and May, Lieut. Thompson, being concerned with the care of regimental money, fraudulently misappropriated to his own use sums of money amounting to \$127.10. Alternatively he was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. He was also charged with disobedience of the lawful command of a superior officer in that he failed to bank the money he received weekly when ordered to do so by Major Timmis and with making a false entry.

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson appeared as counsel for the accused who denied all of the charges.

ADDRESS FOR THE DEFENCE.

Addressing the Court for the defence yesterday afternoon Mr. Tinson said that as to the charges of misappropriation, the onus was on the prosecution to prove, up to the hilt, the intention to defraud. Major Timmis, in his evidence, stated that when he gave the order or warning for accused to hand over, Lieut. Thompson, "seemed uncomfortable." That, of course, was not evidence, it was a matter of opinion. If accused

FINAL ADDRESSES.

The Prosecutor submitted that the evidence of the "other ranks" had been straightforward, and unshaken in cross-examination. There was nothing sinister in Pte. Whittaker's keeping a book record of cinema takings; a man became interested in a special piece of work until he might become "an absolute maniac" about it. No one of the three working the

cinema could be dishonest without letting the other two into the fraud.

The accused had made some extraordinary statements; he admitted altering an entry and he said he preferred leaving \$400 in his room although warned not to do so. An unsatisfactory part of his evidence was his statement that Major Timmis "seemed to agree" to the false entry. The Prosecutor could not believe that an officer of Major Timmis' reputation and experience would first agree to a false entry and then "run" the officer in for making it.

The Judge Advocate, in summing up the case, remarked that it was not the custom in the Army to treat an entry in a cash book as a receipt whatever might be the custom in Hongkong. One would have thought the accused would have received some instructions as to his duties seeing that he had no previous experience in matters of this kind, but apparently he had received no directions. For all the accused knew, the regiment might be systematically robbed every day by the three "other ranks" in charge of the cinema. If the accused was in charge of the accounts ought he not to have taken some action to prevent the possibility of such a state of things?

The accused admitted having made a false entry of \$4.30: the Court must decide whether it was wilful or due solely to hopeless ignorance. There seemed to be some slight suggestion of conspiracy against the accused but he could not see anything in the evidence to support that. The accounts, all through, had been very slackly kept, and the accused was not the only man who had been slack.

THE FINDING.

The Court was then closed for the consideration of the finding. After an interval of nearly an hour the proceedings were reopened and the President announced:

"The Court find the accused not guilty of the first five charges."

The Prosecutor then put in a document showing details of Lieut. Thompson's service. This showed that he became a cadet on May 3rd, 1917; was posted on May 3rd, 1918, to France on June 16th, 1918, was promoted Lieutenant on October 24th, 1919; came to Hongkong on June 3rd, 1920, and became Command Signalling Officer on October 9th, 1920.

The Court then closed to consider its verdict with regard to the last charge, that of making a false entry. The decision will be promulgated in due course.

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